

REMARKS

The claims have been revised in conformance with U.S. practice.

Claims 14-16 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer thereto.

New claims 17-30 have been added.

Upon initial examination, the claims will be 1-13 and 17-30.

On pages 3, 5, 9 and 11 of the specification, “-C(CO₂H)CH₂CH₂-C(O)-” has been amended to recite “-CH(CO₂H)CH₂CH₂-C(O)-” and “-C(CO₂H)CH₂-C(O)-” has been amended to recite “-CH(CO₂H)CH₂-C(O)-”. These amendments are corrections of obvious errors as it is clear to a skilled artisan that carbon has four valences and that the fourth valence in this case is hydrogen. Further, support for these corrections can be found on page 5, lines 9-12 of the specification as filed in combination with the structural formula of DOTAGA given on page 20 of the specification. DOTAGA and DOTASA are known to a skilled artisan and are disclosed in formula (d) of Fichna et al. (“Synthesis of Target-Specific Radiolabeled Peptides for Diagnostic Imaging”, Bioconjugate Chem., Vol. 14, No. 1, page 7, 2003; submitted in the IDS of January 13, 2006).

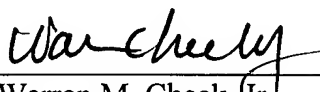
Support for amended claims 1-13 and new claims 17-30 can be found in the specification and claims as filed. Please note that the species of claim 17 are a subgenus of the genus disclosed in claim 1 as filed.

No new matter has been added.

Favorable action on the merits is solicited.

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